We were told a few days ago a joke on a young man not a thousand gar, and, putting it in a pipe smoked you get rosy lips, sweet cider, johnny miles from Cedar county, which, as it. As a consequence, he was taken cake, and the girls made of nature; we have never seen it in print, we suddenly ill, and died in a few hours. and in the latter, r collection of consider worth relating. The cirsaid it was all true.

his young acquaintances, determined BACCO, name and thing. to be at home on Monday morning bright and early, so that his absence would not be noticed. But his affianced resided several miles from the town in which he sojourned; and so, to overcome the distance required the use of a horse. Mounted on his horse, dressed in his fine white summer pants, and other fixens in proportion, he arrives at the residence of his inamorata, where he is kindly received, his horse properly taken care of, by being turned into the pasture for the night. The evening, yea, the night passed away, but how to the young man is nobody's business .--Three o'clock in the morning arrived. Our hero was awake-may be he had been so all night-but it matters not; three o'clock was the time for him to depart, so that he might arrive at family of his lady love, who were catch his horse; but here was a diffiwhite pantaloons would rather take Kingdom of Heaven. A home withhe quickly made his resolve. It was stirring, so he carefully disrobes himself of his valuable "whites" and places them in safety on the fence, while he gives chase with unscreened pedals through the grass after his horse. But the steed was fond of clover, and had no notion of leaving it. But our hero was not to be thwarted, although he began to realize the truth of the old adage about the course of true love &c., and finally the horse was captured. Returning to the fence where he

had safely suspended his lily-white organic chemists and physiologists what a horrible sight met his eyes! been turned was not only a horse the lungs remains only to clog the pasture, but "calf pasture" too, and body with fat. the naughty calves, attracted by the white flug on the fence, had betaken themselves to it, and, calf-like, had almost eat them up !-- only a few well chewed fragments of this once valuable article of his wardrobe now remained-only a few shreds-just sufficient to indicate what they once had been! What a pickle this was for a nice young man to be in !

It was now daylight, and the industrious farmers were up and about, and our hero far from home, with no covering for his 'traveling apparatus.'

It would not do to go back to the house of his lady-love, as they were now-all up, and how could he get in without exhibiting himself to his fair one, which might ruin the match .growth of bushes.

protection of the bushes for some time; and it may be imagined that his feelings towards the calf kind were not of the most friendly character; every morning we enter on a new but ere long his seclusion was des- day, carrying an unknown future in year. tined to be intruded upon. The fam- its bosom. How pregnant and stirily of his fair one, seeing his horse born to-day which may never be ex three Magazines. TERMS:—case in adquired of the lady what she had done tinguished. Hope may be excited with her lover. She was non-plussed, to-day which may never expire .-She only knew he had left there about Acts may be performed to-day the three o'clock in the morning. Things consequence of which may not be re-

didn't look right; if he had gone, why did he leave his horse? Suspicions were awakened. By and bye, the boys who had been out to feed the calves returned with the remnants of the identical white garments which adorned the lower limbs of her late visitor. They were mangled and torn to shreds! An inquest was immediately held over them. Some mid heaven's arches, when a poor sinawful fate had befallen the unfortunate young man. The neighbors were soon summoned to search for his mangled corpse, and the posse with all speed set out with the dogs and arms to search. The pasture was thoroughly sequred, and then the adjacent thickets, when lo! our hero was driven from his lair by the keen scent of the dogs, all safe, alive and well, but minus the linen. An explanation then ensued at the expense of our hero; but he was suc-

of Iowa. The man who tied a knot in a guage is disgusting. Loud laughing cord of wood, wishes to know if you is impolite. Inquisitiveness is eyer heard a hay cock crow.

cessful in the end, and married the

lady, and is now living comfortably

in one of the flourishing little towns

A KIND WORD TO LADS, ON TO-

consider worth relating. The circumstance happened some time ago fine boys (including a dangerous pre fine silk, cheap jewelry, and girls got but will lose nothing by its age. It | cocity, developing the passions, soft- up "secumdum artem." was told to us by one who knew, and ening the bones, and injuring the spinal marrow and whole nervous fluid.) A certain young man in search of A boy who early and freely uses Toa wife, being out on a courting expe- bacco never is known to make a man, dition, as is customary with young in the true sense; he generally lacks men, came late on Sunday evening, energy of body and mind. Boys, if and in order to keep his secret from you wish to be anybody, DESPISE TO-

> THE BETTER LAND .- Our relatives in eternity outnumber our relatives in time. The catalogue of the living we love becomes less, and in anticipation we see the perpetually lengthening train of the departed; and by their flight our affections grow gradually less glued to earth and more allied to Heaven. It is not in vain that the images of the departed children, and near and dear ones, are laid up in them was knocked down. His com- lished anywhere; and at the end of memory, as in a picture gallery, from which the ceaseless surge of this world's cares cannot obliterate them. They wait there for the light of the resurrection day, to stand forth holy, beautiful and happy-our fellow worshipers forever.

A BEAUTIFUL TRUTH .- Benjamin F Taylor, the author of "January and home before his comrades were stir- June," and one of the editors of the ring. Not wishing to disturb the Chicago Journal, never uttered a more truthful and beautiful sentiment (and then wrapped in the arms of Mor- he has spoken many) than when he Cleveland Herald records the case of pheus, he sallied to the pasture to said that "she who has been a good daughter, a loving wife and an old- days without partaking of food or culty-the grass was high, and load- fashioned mother, is pretty near ready ed with dew. To venture in with his for an abundant entrance into the the starch out of them, and lead to out a girl in it is only half blest; it his detection. It would not do to go is an orchard without blossoms, and in with his white unmentionables, so a spring without song. A house full of sons is like Lebanon with its ce-3 o'clock in the morning, and nobody dars, but daughters by the fireside, are like the rose in Sharon."

Pork .- A fat hog is the very quintessence of scrofula and carbonic acid gas, and he who cats it must not expect thereby to build up a sound physical organism. While it contributes heat, there is not a twentieth part of it nitrogen, the base of muscle.

This is sound practical truth. Fat pork was never designed for human food; it is material for breath and nothing more; see Liebig and other unmentionables- O! Mirabile Dictu! it makes no red meat or muscle; the prize fighter is not allowed to eat it; return his thanks to the Ladies of America The field into which his horse had in fact, all that is not consumed by

upon the arrival of passenger trains is his pride to say, that he was the first to at some of the railway station houses. crowd toward a lady, seized her hand and gave her a hearty kiss, the smack of which sounded above-we were port startled a country lass hard by, who exclaimed to her "feller'-'Massy, Josh! what on airth's gev way on the keers ?"

A First Kiss .- In a German tale, published sometime since, is a description of 'The First Kiss,' in the No, no, that wouldn't do. Neither following sensatious style :- 'Am I could he go to town in that plight. really dear to you Sephia? I whis-There was only one resource left him, pered, and pressed my burning lips and that was, to secrete himself in the to her rosy mouth. She did not say bushes till the next night, and then yes; she did not say no, but she reget home under cover of the dark- turned my kiss, and the earth went ness. This he resolved to do, and from under my feet; my soul was no accordingly hid himself under a thick longer in my body; I touched the stars ; I knew the happiness of the tinued ; also. Carolina Backwoods Sketch-Safely hid, he remained under the seraphim!

> A Solemn TROUGHT .-- It has been observed with much significance, that bur, Rev. Hastings Weld and W. Gilmere alized till eternity.

THE HIGHER JOY .--- We are, told that the angelic choir chanted a morning psalm, when the heavens and earth, at the fiat of the Almighty, sprang from the deep. O, I am sure that the morning stars sing together, and all the sons of God begin to shout yes! that a morning psalm resounds ner, through the new birth, becomes a child of God, a citizen of the heavenly Jerusalem .- Tholuck.

DOMESTIC SCENE .- 'My love,' says Mrs. Duzenbury to her husband, oblige me with a five pound note today, to purchase a new dress.'

'Shan't do any such thing, Agnes you called me a bear yesterday.' 'Lor, love, that was nothing-I meant by it that you were fond of hugging.

You little - , I have no five but here's a ten.'

GOOD RULES FOR ALL .- Profane swearing is abominable. Vulgar lan-

Courting in the country is al-BACCO .- A boy named West, living together a different institution from in Swansey, picked up a piece of ci- the city article. In the former place

"How shameful it is that you should sleep," said a dull preacher to a drowsy audience, "whilst that poor idiot," pointing to an idiot who stood staring at him, "is awake and attentive." "Perhaps," said the fool, 'I would have been asleep, too, if I had not been an idiot."

A lady, named Mary Ann Eldridge; had occasion to send a note to a gentleman, and put two r's in her first name in the signature, thus: "Marry Ann Eldridge." The man was a bachelor, and consequently took the hint; he married Ann Eldridge.

Two young Irishmen happened to get into an affray, in which one of rade ran up to him, and cried out, "Zounds, Dennis, if you be dead, can't you spake?" "I'm not dead, but spachless," said the other.

Did you ever hear of the wife that wrote to her husband in California, and commenced her letter thus: "Oh, tell me not that absence conquers love! the longer you stay away he better I like you."

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do not exist in Kanzas.

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